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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The Senate has agreed to take a final vote February 15th on the bill fixing gold as the standard of value in the United States; the resolution of inquiry regarding the Philippine war was adopted; also resolution as to the seizure of American flour by the British in Delagoa bay. —— The Boers attacked General French's advanced post on the 15th and were repulsed with loss to them of twenty killed; General Methuen made a demonstration in order to draw the Boers from Kimberley; the latter, however, were found in large force and strongly entrenched. —— The Virginia House of Delegates passed the "Jim Crow" car bill without a dissenting vote. —— Progress was made towards consummation of plans for the S. A. L. consolidation at a meeting held in Raleigh. —— The report of committee in the case of Roberts, the Utah member of House of Representatives, will recommend his exclusion. —— New York markets: Money on call easier at 2@4 per cent., the last loan being at 2½ per cent.; cotton quiet and steady, middling uplands 7 11-16c; flour moderately active and steady at previous prices; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 78⅝c; corn—spot firm, No. 2 41½c; oats—spot steady, No. 2 29½c; rosin—no report; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 17.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 47 degrees; 8 P. M., 55 degrees; maximum, 64 degrees; minimum, 44 degrees; mean, 54 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.01 inches

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 21.3 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—For North Carolina: Rain Thursday; fair Friday; brisk northeasterly winds; high on the coast.

Port Almanac—Jan. 18.

Sun Rises	7.08 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.14 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H.06 M.
High Water at Southport	9.26 A. M.
High Water, Wilmington	11.56 A. M.

Perhaps the Cleveland, Ohio, man who promptly forgave his wife for eloping thought that was the easiest and cheapest way to get rid of her.

The war managers in England will soon be pulling the Government's leg for another $100,000,000 for the South African fracas. This is proving a costly venture for J. B.

The fire losses in this country last year figure up $136,773,200, against $119,650,500 for 1898 and $110,312,650 for 1897. The bulk of this loss was probably the result of carelessness.

Hon. "Gas" Addicks, of Dela ware, is for "harmony." And also for Addicks. With a divorce suit in the family he seems to have been somewhat short on harmony in the domestic fold.

The president of the University of Cincinnati wants an entirely new staff, and the staff would probably like to have an entirely new president. His name is Ayers, and they think he is putting on some.

Mr. Yerkes, who migrated from Philadelphia to Chicago, accumulated $15,000,000, and then migrated to Gotham to enjoy it, says "great wealth does not bring happiness." He is right. We have known many editors who were not happy.

The census of the island of Cuba recently made gives a population of 1,200,000, which is 400,000 less than the Spanish census taken in 1887. Does the difference represent the number of people swept away by the war and the reconcentrado barbarity?

Gen. Charles King started his military career as a drummer boy in a Wisconsin regiment in the civil war. He ran away from school to beat the drum. He beat a good many fellows who started in ahead of him, but they couldn't make as much racket as he could.

If hitched together and strung out it is said that the levees on both sides of the Mississippi river would reach a distance of 1,300 miles. They would form a bank 86 feet wide at base, 8 feet at the top and from 13 to 14 feet high. But the old river breaks through them at times and wets things.

A Memphis lady wants $500 damages from a street car company because one of its conductors dumped nickels on her in exchange for a $20 bill which she tendered to pay her fare. The conductor thought that smart, perhaps, but she didn't think it fair to make her tote that load of nickels and is demanding pay for the job.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The Fire Department was called out last evening by a false alarm from box No. 51, Seventh and Nun streets.

— The Second Regiment Band will have another rehearsal to-night at 8.30 o'clock. A full attendance of the members is desired.

— Batchelor's engraving of Gettysburg, "Longstreet's Assault," is displayed in the window of Messrs. Mercer & Evans' store, on Princess street.

— There appears to be a "boom" in matrimonial circles with the colored people of the city. Three licenses were issued yesterday and four on another day this week.

— At 11.50 o'clock this morning the department responded to an alarm of fire which it was thought came in from box 23, at corner of Water and Chesnut streets. The alarm was really caused by work on the re-wiring of the fire alarm system.

— The Norwegian barque *F. C. Sieben*, 608 tons, Capt. Larsen, arrived at quarantine at 2.40 o'clock yesterday afternoon from Havre via New York. She is consigned to Messrs. Heide & Co., and will probably load with naval stores for Paterson, Downing & Co.

— Oscar Watson and C. T. Croom, two young white men, were arraigned in the police court yesterday for an affray. Watson was fined $15, from which he took an appeal to the Superior Court, but later withdrew the same through his counsel, L. V. Grady, Esq. Croom was fined $10.

— Mr. R. H. Brady is supervising a force of workmen who are engaged in making extensive alterations in the heating apparatus of the First Presbyterian church. The heaters, instead of as heretofore, will be placed under the north side of the building and the registers will be placed immediately over them.

— Mr. Howard Caldwell, who resigned as general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. of Wilmington, left yesterday afternoon for Hopkins county, Ky., to take charge of the Y. M. C. A. county work. He was accompanied by his wife. Their friends regret exceedingly that they have removed from this city.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Sneed-Fuller Co.—For $2.10.
Warren's Cafe—In full blast.
S. H. MacRae—Bankrupt notice.

Pretty Home Wedding.

There was a pretty home wedding last evening at 7.30 o'clock at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Raynor, 513 Hanover street, the happy contractors being their lovely daughter Miss Dallie Raynor and Mr. S. E. Sellers, all of Wilmington.

The wedding march was skillfully played by Mrs. W. H. Millan, and the Rev. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, impressively performed the marriage service in the presence of the family and about forty guests. The bride wore a becoming dress of white organdy, handsomely trimmed with lace and ribbons. She carried an exquisite bouquet of bride roses sent from Baltimore.

The bridal attendants were as follows: Miss Bessie Goodwin, with Mr. G. H Davis; Miss Lillie Melton, with Mr. Fred P. Baldwin, and Miss Minnie Rivenbark, with Mr. C. O. Knox. The bridesmaids were prettily attired in white organdy.

After the marriage there was an elegant wedding supper, and the evening was happily passed till 10 P. M.

Besides the joyous congratulations of their friends, the bride and groom received quite a number of useful and handsome presents. For the present they will reside at the home of the bride's parents.

Fine Fish in Market.

The STAR has mentioned that the fishermen began to catch buck shad in the Cape Fear about ten days ago. Buck shad always make their appearance in advance of roes, but yesterday Mr. J. A. Odham had on sale at Front street market some five roe shad. They were caught by Capt. Asa Hortor's fishing crew opposite Kidder's mill. Yesterday roes sold at $1.50 per pair, and bucks at $1.25 per pair.

The shad which are being caught now are very fine. The market is also supplied with some of the finest rock, drum and New River spotted trout ever brought to this market. Mr. Odham yesterday had a lot of New River trout that weighed ten and twelve pounds each. Trout are selling at 8 cents per pound.

A Successful Tow.

Capt. S. F. Craig, secretary of the Cape Fear Towing and Transportation Company, last night received a telegram from Capt. J. J. Adkins, saying that the tug *Alexander Jones* had successfully pulled the *Thomas L. James* into deep water, from where she was stranded during the recent storm at Bogue, Onslow county. The *Jones* pulled her off yesterday morning at 8 o'clock and proceeded with her in tow at once for New York, whither she was bound, with lumber, from Savannah, Ga. The *James* is of 376 tons register and is in charge of Capt. Pearce. She had to abandon part of her cargo in order to pass over the bar at Bogue.

The Country Visitor.

Mr. Archie Sands, of Roanoke, Va., who is pleasantly remembered in Wilmington, arrived yesterday as advance representative of the "Country Visitor" Company, which appears here on Thursday evening, January 25th.

LEE'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FRIDAY.

Programme for Memorial Exercises by Cape Fear Camp No. 254, U. C. V.—The Features of the Occasion.

To-morrow is the birthday of the great Confederate chieftain, General Robt. E. Lee, and in accordance with the custom adopted by Cape Fear Camp No. 254, United Confederate Veterans, of this city, there will be a parade and memorial exercises held at the Opera House. After the exercises a lunch will be served in the City Hall by Cape Fear Camp. The ladies of Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, will serve the lunch, and all Wilmington Confederates, all visiting Confederates and the other organizations which will participate in the parade are invited to the lunch.

On account of the celebration to-morrow afternoon, the banks and the business houses on the wharf and up town will be closed. Cape Fear Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, George Davis Camp, Sons of Veterans, the Wilmington Light Infantry, the Naval Reserves, the Boys' Brigade and the Second Regiment Band will participate with the veterans in the celebration. All the organizations to take part in the parade will rendezvous at the armory of the Wilmington Light Infantry. The public is invited to attend the exercises at the Opera House.

The following official programme for to-morrow has been furnished to the STAR:

The Programme.

The column will form on Market street in front of the W. L. I. armory, with the right resting on Fourth street, in the following order, and will move at 3 P. M. promptly:

Capt. James I. Metts, commander,
Lieutenant Colonel W. A. Johnson,
Lieutenant Harry McIlhenny, Col. Walker Taylor, Dr. W. C. Galloway, aides.
The Second Regiment Band.
Cape Fear Camp No. 254, and other Confederate Veterans.
Sons of Veterans.
Wilmington Light Infantry.
Naval Reserves.
Boys' Brigade.

The line of march will be down Market street to Third, to Orange, to Front, to Princess, thence to the Opera House.

Order of Exercises.

Music by Second Regiment Band.
Prayer by Rev. Robert Strange, D. D.
Poem, "Lee's Sword," by Mr. W. M. Cumming.
Address, Junius Davis, Esq.
Music by the Band, followed by a lunch in the city hall for all veterans and others participating in the parade. Badges for admission to the lunch will be furnished to commanders of the different organizations.

JAMES I. METTS, Commander.

TWO DEATHS YESTERDAY MORNING.

Mrs. Catherine May and Mrs. Josephine Gurganus Passed Away.

At the residence of Capt. James H. Williams, No. 415 South Fourth street yesterday morning at 6 o'clock, Mrs. Catherine A. May, relict of the late Capt. Alexander May, died at the age of 79 years. Mrs. May is survived by one daughter, Mrs. R. M. Ricketts, of Elizabeth, New Jersey. She also leaves to mourn her loss Mrs. C. M. Harriss and Mrs. J. H. Williams, of Wilmington; Mr. H. B. Sholar, of Columbia, and Mr. A. M. Sholar, of Savannah, of whom she was a great aunt. Her funeral will take place at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Mrs. Josephine Gurganus, the wife of ex policeman S. D. Gurganus, died at 5:30 o'clock yesterday morning at the family residence, corner of Fifth and Swann streets. She is survived by a husband and one son. The remains will be taken to day on the W. C. & A. train to Brunswick county for interment. Deceased was 54 years old.

CLERK FOR THE U. S. COURT.

Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy Introduced Bill Creating Such an Office.

Hon. John D. Bellamy introduced in the House on Tuesday the following bill, which is explanatory within itself:

An Act to establish and provide for a clerk of the District and Circuit Courts of the United States held at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Sec. 3, Chap. 282, of the United States Statutes at Large, entitled "An Act to Establish a Western Judicial District of North Carolina," be amended by adding to said section at the end thereof the following: "And the Circuit and District Judges in the Eastern District shall appoint besides a clerk of the said Court held in Raleigh, an additional clerk, who shall reside and keep his office at Wilmington, who shall be a clerk both of the District and Circuit Courts and have the custody and control of the records of said Courts at Wilmington; shall give the same bond required of the clerk of the Circuit and District Courts of said district, and shall receive the same compensation for services performed by clerks of such Courts now fixed by law.

Mr. A. Q. Scammon's Direction.

"Side Tracked," the play at the Opera House to-morrow night, is under the direction of Mr. A. Q. Scammon. In this connection, it will be recalled that Mr. Scammon has so far this season sent two attractions, "The Real Widow Brown" and "Town Topics," both of which proved excellent entertainers. Wilmington is yet to have two more of Mr. Scammon's attractions, "Side Tracked" and "An American Girl," which are said to be the equal if not superior to the two first mentioned.

ST. ANDREWS' CHURCH.

Annual Congregational Meeting—Reports of Officers—Sunday School.

The annual congregational meeting of St. Andrews Presbyterian Church was held last evening. Rev. A. D. McClure, the pastor, presided and Mr. William L. Latta acted as secretary.

The report of the Earnest Workers, a band of little children, was submitted. It showed that they supported and educated a little girl in China, and also a boy at Rarium Springs Orphanage and that the Junior Society aided in this work.

The Sunday school report showed 204 members and the average attendance for every Sunday in the year, 159 scholars. There were nineteen admissions to the membership of the church from the Sunday school. Mr. P. Heinsberger reported that 800 lessons had been studied by forty members in the Home Department of the Sunday school.

The treasurer's report showed 280 communicants and contributors to the following causes:

Home Missions, $195.46; publication, $31.52; Bible cause, $21.10; foreign missions, $445.42; invalid fund, $33.92; evangelization, (negro) $35.90; miscellany, $5,803.69; Sunday school, $326.98; Ladies' Foreign Mission Society, $100; Church Aid Society, $34.64; Children's Society, $40. Receipts in total from all sources, $6,753.15.

One thousand dollars and all the interest to date, was paid on the church building debt.

Interesting reports were made by the Session and the pastor, showing the church to be in good condition spiritually.

The number of additions to the membership for the year 1899 was 37.

MARKET STANDS RENTED.

Shad Benches of Front Street Market Let to Highest Bidders.

Alderman H. P. West, chairman of the market committee, acting as auctioneer, at 12 o'clock yesterday, made the annual rental of the different shad benches at Front street market house for the season. The parties by whom they were rented, the rent and premium paid, are as follows:

No. 1—J. S. Sneeden, $3 per month and $10 premium.
No. 2—J. A. Odam, $3 per month and $9 premium.
No. 3—W. M. Sneeden, $2.50 per month and $3 premium.
No. 4—J. M. Holmes, $2.50 per month and $2 50 premium.
Nos. 5 and 6—Fales & Nixon. $2 per month each and $1 premium each.
No. 7—George Davis, $2 per month and $1 premium.
No. 8—W. B. Beery, $1.50 per month and fifty cents premium.
Nos. 9, 10 and 11—J. S. Sneeden, $1.50 per month each and fifty cents premium each.

The premiums amounted to something over $29, and this amount is in excess of the revenue from this source under the former administration, when no premium was paid. The contracts are binding so long as the shad season lasts.

MORE ELIGIBLY LOCATED.

Messrs. VonGlahn & Gibson Moved to No. 5 North Front Street.

Messrs. VonGlahn & Gibson, the up-to-date men's furnishers, who have hitherto occupied the store No. 120 Market street, yesterday removed their salesrooms to No. 5 North Front street, where they are more eligibly located and in much better position to furnish their already large and growing group of customers.

A little less than a year ago the business was established at the Market street stand and the prosperity indicated by a removal to a better and more commodious store is gratifying to not only the enterprising young business men composing the firm, but also to their wide circle of friends in the city and country.

They will have no opening to-day, but they invite their friends to call on them in their new store.

Associated Charities.

The report of the Treasurer of the Associated Charities for the months of November and December, 1899, is furnished the STAR for publication as follows:

Receipts—Received of New Hanever county, $350.00; M. J. Corbett, 5.00; Vollers & Hashagen, 5.00; Oscar Pearsall, 10.00; George D. Crow, 1.00; Cash, 5.00; E. S. Martin, 25.00; Mrs. M. E. Bridgers, 18.00; Miss Emily Bridgers, 12.00; through the Rector of St. James' Church, 25.00; cash, 25,00; Wm. Niestlie, 2.50; St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 15.50; M. G. Tiencken. 1.00; Wm. Latimer, 5.00; Mrs. Elizabeth Latimer, 5.00; Mrs. J. W. Murchison, 2.00; cash, 5.00; cash, 25.00; Mrs. C. P. Bolles, 1.00; cash, 1.34; a friend, 100.00.

Expenses—Secretary's salary, $50.00; Catharine Kennedy Home, 25.00; groceries, &c, 286.50; wood, 71.10; rent for those in need, 19.50; cash, help, 17.25; R. R. Fares, 5.65; janitor, 4.50; nourishment for sick, 1.50; collector, 1.05; stationery and postage, 70 cents.

Approaching Marriage.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Stolter have issued handsome invitations to the marriage of their daughter, Miss Emma, to Mr. John H. Hintze, an enterprising and very popular young business man of Wilmington. The ceremony will be performed on Wednesday evening, January 31st, at half-past eight o'clock, in St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Epworth League of Grace M. E. Church Held its Annual Meeting Last Night.

The annual meeting of the Epworth League of Grace M. E. Church was held last night in the lecture room.

In the absence of the president, Mr. J. T. King, Vice President Paul M. Taylor presided. Miss Blanche Fentress was requested to act as secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Misses Sallie Bryant and Orphelia Northam were elected members of the League.

Committee reports were received. Mr. Paul M. Taylor of the devotional committee reported that the devotional meetings of the League are held every Sunday night just previous to the regular church service and that the average attendance at these meetings is 35.

Mrs. W. W. Hodges of the Charity and Help Committee reported that during the past week seven calls have been made in the work and $10.90 has been expended in relieving distress.

The election of officers being in order, it was stated by the Rev. J. N. Cole, pastor of Grace Church, that President King, on account of other engagements, could not accept a re-election.

The following officers were then elected:

President—Mr. Paul M. Taylor.
Second Vice President—Mrs. W. W. Hodges.
Secretary—Miss Blanche Fentress.
Treasurer—Miss Ida Hankins.
Organists—Mrs. Mattie Chasten and Miss Nora Scott.

Several nominations for first and third vice presidents were made, but there was no election. A committee, consisting of Mrs. W. W. Hodges, the Rev. J. N. Cole and Mr. Paul M. Taylor, was appointed to submit nominations for first and third vice presidents at the next meeting of the League to be held next Wednesday night immediately after the prayer meeting services.

The meeting then adjourned.

OPERA HOUSE.

The "Runaway Girl" Played to a Large Audience Last Evening.

Last evening at the Opera House, Wilmington theatre-goers were treated to a delightful musical comedy, "A Runaway Girl." Standing room was at a premium and the audience was by far the largest and most fashionable that has gathered at the theatre this season.

"A Runaway Girl" is a production recently brought out at Daly's theatre in New York city and it was thoroughly in keeping with the high standard set up by him in the metropolis. It was brilliant in scenic effect and color scheme and the costuming was elegant and elaborate.

The women were exceptionally handsome and the conduct of the performance throughout was strictly high-toned and enjoyable.

"SIDE TRACKED" TO-MORROW NIGHT.

Management Announces That It Has Been Strengthened and Improved.

The management announce that "Side Tracked," the comedy drama which appears at the Opera House on to morrow night, has been considerably improved and strengthened this season, so that it is one of the premier attractions now on the road. The company is a strong one in every particular, and the ludicrous climaxes which follow each other in rapid succession are entered into with such zest by the cast that the audience is kept in a merry mood from start to finish. E. H. O'Connor as the tramp, and Gertrude Barnes as the lunch-room girl, are a whole show in themselves and create no end of fun. The specialties are of the brightest order and crop out at every opening. The sale of seats begins this morning at Gerken's.

Artesian Well at Castle Haynes.

The Wilmington Iron Works on Tuesday completed the work of boring an artesian well at the State farm at Castle Haynes. It is located inside the stockade, and is fifty feet deep. At a depth of eighteen feet from the surface shell or limestone rock was struck, and the drill was still in rock when a good supply of water was reached at a depth of fifty feet.

Mr. E. P. Bailey, of the Wilmington Iron Works, told a STAR reporter yesterday that an abundance of very fine, pure, soft water has been secured. The well has a casing of three and a half inches in diameter.

The well was bored for the New Hanover Land and Improvement Company, which will operate its phosphate mine and rock quarries near by. A number of convicts for this work are expected at Castle Haynes to-day.

Yacht Diana Here.

The pretty little naptha launch *Diana*, bound for Charleston, which was reported in distress at Southport in a special telegram to the STAR Tuesday, came up to this port yesterday morning and is tied up at the Champion Compress wharves, awaiting a piece of machinery from Philadelphia with which to make repairs. Her after piston rod and the head of her compound engine is broken. She is owned by Mr. F. W. Hinmann, of New Haven, Conn., who expected to have joined her yesterday at Charleston.

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency has excellent facilities for selling farms and timbered lands. It advertises all property and makes only a nominal charge unless a sale is made. For terms etc., address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N. C.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. W. E. Worth is on the sick list.

— Mr. W. W. Vick left yesterday for Atlanta, Ga.

— Mr. C. G. Talbird, of Richmond, is a guest of The Orton.

— Mr. L. E. Green, of Charlotte, is among the visitors in the city.

— Mr. A. M. Herring, of Garland, was here yesterday on a business trip.

— Mr. George H. Currie, of Clarkton, was in the city on business yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Stone, of Little River, S. C., was in the city yesterday on a business trip.

— Mr. S. E. Memory, of Whiteville, came up to the city on business yesterday afternoon.

— Mr. D. S. Benson, of Hallsboro, was here calling on the wholesale houses yesterday.

— Miss Mamie Clark and friend, Miss Ashton, left yesterday for Portsmouth to resume their studies.

— Mr. D. T. Williamson, of Hasty, Ga., who is an extensive turpentine operator, is here looking for hands.

— Mrs. J. C. Stanley, Miss Fannie Sater, and Mrs. A. O. Trust, of Marlville, visited the city yesterday.

— Mrs. J. R. Melton and family will remove to-morrow to Goldsboro, which city they will make their home.

— Editor Chas. L. Stevens, of the Newbern *Journal*, came over to the city yesterday and gave the STAR sanctum a pleasant call.

— Miss Maude Haigh, of Fayetteville, a daughter of Mr. John C. Haigh, is visiting her cousin, Capt. John Walker, on Second street.

— The STAR is glad to note the continued improvement of Mr. Jos. C. Shepard, Jr., from the injuries he received in the railroad accident last week.

— Judge Henry R. Bryan, of Newbern, was in the city yesterday on his way home from Rockingham, where he went to hold court, but which was adjourned on account of the outbreak of smallpox at Hamlet.

— Mr. Rufus G. Melson, of Punxsutawney, Pa., accompanied by his wife, was here yesterday en route to Conway, S. C., where he will spend some time with his parents. Mr. Melson is a cousin of Mrs. Georgiana A. Pittman, of this city.

Business Will Be Suspended.

In addition to the already published list of wharf merchants who agreed to close their places of business on account of the celebration of Gen. Lee's birthday to-morrow by Cape Fear Camp No. 254, U. C. V., the following additional business houses up town on yesterday signed the agreement to close: Willard & Giles, W. M. Cumming, George R. French & Sons, Clarendon Water Works Company, A. Shrier, Munson & Co., Chesnutt & Barentine, R. F. Hamme, O. P. Cazaux & Co., W. E. Springer & Co., George Honnett, George Darden, Peterson & Rulfs, Holmes & Watters, The C. W. Polvogt Company, Fishblate Clothing Company, A. D. Brown, The A. David Company, I. Shrier, Mercer & Evans, A. G. Hankins, The Sneed-Fuller Co., James H. Taylor, J. B. & J. C. King, West & Co., J. B. Huggins, Dingelhoef Bros., I. L. Greenewald, Johnson Dry Goods Company, John S. McEachern, Yopp & Helm, J. G. Wright & Son, D. O'Connor, Victor E. Zoeller & Co., S. & B. Solomon (shoes), S. & B. Solomon, (dry goods), The John L. Boatwright Co., N. F. Parker, The Adrian Co., The N. Jacobi Hardware Co., Charles D. Foard, W. C. VonGlahn, The J. C. Stevenson Co., J. W. Murchison & Co., C. W. Yates & Co., R. C. DeRosset.

Wilmington Gas and Electric Light Co.

A meeting of the new board of directors of the Wilmington Gas and Electric Light Company was held yesterday afternoon at the company's office. The routine business was transacted, and it was decided to call a meeting of the stockholders of the company for February 5th.

If you wish to sell a farm or city property place it in the hands of the East Carolina Real Estate Agency. R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N. C.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

IT IS A MISTAKE

As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses FOR RENT One of the most desirable stores in the city, now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company will be vacant from Oct. 1st.

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My Office Will Be Closed

Friday afternoon, LEE'S BIRTHDAY; but I have several Nice Building Lots for sale Wednesday and Thursday all day, and Friday morning up to 1 o'clock.

W. M. CUMMING,
REAL ESTATE AGENT AND NOTARY PUBLIC.
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Eastern District of North Carolina. In the matter of Wm. W. Singletary, Bankrupt. In Bankruptcy. To the creditors of Wm. W. Singletary, of Lumberton, in the county of Robeson, in the said district, bankrupt. Notice is hereby given that on the 17th day of January, A. D. 1900, the said Wm. W. Singletary was duly adjudged a bankrupt; and that the first meeting of his creditors will be held at the office of the undersigned referee in bankruptcy, in Fayetteville, in said district, on the 26th day of January, A. D. 1900, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupt and transact such other business as may properly come before the said meeting. The above named bankrupt was formerly a member of the firm of Freeman & Singletary.

Dated Fayetteville, N. C., January 17th, 1900.

SAMUEL H. MACRAE, Referee in Bankruptcy.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Cafe in Full Blast.

Bread the Staff of Life Wheat, Rye, Graham, Crimp Bread, Finger Rolls, Buns, and any kind of Bread made to order. One day's notice

at Warren's Steam Bakery, Opposite Masonic Temple.
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OPERA HOUSE
Friday, Jan. 19th.
A. Q. Scammon's Co.
In the Deliciously Droll Comedy Drama
"SIDE TRACKED"
Full of Mirth and Merriment, Strong Situations and Sensational Effects.
Embracing a company of
CLEVER COMEDIANS
presenting the latest songs and dances. The creators of comedy, and the acknowledged leaders of all
Prices $1.00, 75, 50 and 25 cents. ja 17 3t

SATISFIED CUSTOMERS

Have been the best investment I have made in business. Selling nothing but well made goods from the best factories, I have had to sell close to meet the prices of shoddy stuff, and sometimes have lost a sale; but I am now reaping my reward, and can justly claim, "once a customer always a customer."

Values are up, but on many lines I anticipated the advance by buying largely. That my customers get the benefit of my foresight you can ascertain by comparing prices

N. F. PARKER,
Furniture and Furniture Novelties,
No. 17 South Front Street.
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FOR SALE. . . .

The Clarendon Plantation,
1,800 acres on the Cape Fear river, five miles from Wilmington.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 18.

THE PEOPLE ARE NOT IN IT.

As far as their professions go the leaders of the party which is now in control of national affairs recognize the people as the source of power and the rulers of the country, but their practice is very different from their professions. Of course, they have to show some deference to the people for if they didn't the people might call them to task and administer a rebuke at the polls, but they understand the art of humbuggery pretty well, pretend to be the obedient servants of the people before elections and let the people go to old Harry afterwards. They assume to voice the sentiments of the people, when in fact they are simply voicing their own sentiments or the sentiments of the powers that control them. This is one of the ways they have of flattering and humbugging the people, while they are cunningly playing their own game.

As an illustration: When Senator Beveridge made his flamboyant speech on the Philippine question some days ago he exclaimed that the man who imagines that we are not to hold these islands forever knows very little about the temper of the "common people" of this country, by which he meant to say that the "common people" of this country would never consent to give up these islands. That was a pure assumption by him. Has this question ever been submitted to the "common people" of this country for their decision? The people were heard on the war for Cuba, and it was their voice that drove the Washington administration into finally espousing the cause of Cuba, but they have never been heard on the Philippine question.

Those islands were bought and the war to hold them inaugurated without consulting the American people. The fact that the Republican party has elected its ticket in some States where elections were held last Fall is no proof that the people are in favor of the policy of forcible expansion, or that they are in favor of holding these islands, because while the Philippine question figured incidentally in some of the States it was not an issue, trusts and other questions being given prominence. It might as well be argued that because the Republicans were victorious in most of the States in which elections were held therefore the people endorsed trusts.

Instead of the American people, or the "common people," as Senator Beveridge called them, being in favor of holding these islands by force, there is little doubt that at least seven out of ten of them would favor letting the islands go if that could be done without reflecting upon the manhood or honor of this country. Having been dragged into the war by tricky schemers who manipulated a plastic President to do their bidding the people realize the situation, and that the war must go on until some creditable and honorable way can be found out of it. To that extent, and to that extent only, do they endorse this war of "criminal aggression."

The fact is that the American people have had very little to do with this war, which has been strikingly shown by the lack of enthusiasm over the victories of the American soldiers, in such striking contrast to the wild enthusiasm over the victories won in the Cuban war. It was also shown by the refusal of the volunteers whose time had expired to re-enlist, and by the tardiness with which the responses came to the calls for more troops. If the war is so popular and the desire to hold those islands so strong, then the American people have a strange way of showing it.

It isn't the people but the rings and combines, men who think, to quote Senator Carter, expansionist, "it will pay," who are insisting on holding the islands. They see "millions" in the gold and other mines, in the timber, sugar, hemp and other products which they would control and out of which they would coin money with cheap Chinese coolie labor. That's the inspiration behind this clamor to hold on to the islands. It is the inspiration of greed and plunder which is sacrificing millions of money and the precious lives of American soldiers to carry out its purpose.

Senator Beveridge virtually confessed as much when he spoke of the "gold nuggets" he had seen picked up in the streams of Luzon; of the superb forests which would furnish timber to make the furniture for the United States; of the rich products of the fields, and of the possibilities of Manila rivalling Hong Kong and becoming the Liverpool of the Eastern world. The spirit of greed runs through all that and furnishes the key to Mr. Beveridge's enthusiastic defence of the policy of plunder and butchery.

And yet he, while showing his hand so plainly and the animus that inspires him and those for whom he speaks, has the brazen effrontery to put himself forward as the spokesman of the "common people" of this country and assert that they endorse all this plunder and butchery that we may hold these islands for the benefit of certain rings which are planning to gobble up what is worth gobbling, open the gates to the Chinese hordes and with cheap Chinese labor become competitors of American sugar, tobacco, hemp, and cotton growers, and of American furniture makers. Beveridge's cheek is only equalled by his flow of gab, and by the impiety that asserts that Providence has made the expansionists His agents for carry-civilization and Christianity to the Philippines.

STARTING THE HAT ALREADY.

Mark Hanna is unique and always interesting, interesting because he pursues his own course and boldly maps out the course that the Republican party must pursue. If it doesn't always come up to his line it comes very near it, near enough for all practical purposes, and when it gets there Mark is found on top whip in hand.

He has recently been in Philadelphia, where the next Republican national convention will be held, his object being to consult with prominent Republicans of that city and start the hat for contributions. In his conferences with them he is thus quoted:

"The coming campaign will be an exceedingly vigorous one, and it will be upon two questions—the prosperity of the working people of the United States and the advisability of retaining the Philippines. The Democratic party is already at work on the former question throughout the Western country. It has engaged numerous labor agitators to go among the working people of the entire West to foment as much dissatisfaction with existing conditions as possible. The Republican campaign management is now meeting the agitators on their own ground by employing men to counteract their influence. But it will be necessary to supplement the work they are doing with pamphlets, and for that purpose we need the fund that Philadelphia has promised to contribute at once. I do not hesitate to say that one dollar now will be equal to five dollars three months hence.

"The Democrats are bent upon making a most bitter campaign; it is their object to create strikes and paralize the industries of the country. It is for this purpose that their agitators are working throughout the West, and the only way in which we can meet them is to keep the fact that the country is unprecedentedly prosperous before the people."

This is about as unique as Hanna himself, who does not see the absurdity in the proposition that a campaign of education is necessary to convince people that they are prosperous. The presumption should naturally be that if the people are prosperous it wouldn't require any campaign literature to convince them of it, and that "agitators" could not persuade them to the contrary. It is to convince the people of the West who, according to the Republican papers and stumpers, have more prosperity than they can handle, that they are prosperous, that Mark Hanna has started the hat in Philadelphia. But he is right about one thing—"the campaign will be a remarkably vigorous one."

THE PRIMARY SYSTEM FAVORED.

At its last meeting the Democratic Executive Committee of Mecklenburg county adopted the following resolutions:

"*Resolved*, That the candidates for State and Congressional offices, and the delegates to the county, State and Congressional conventions be elected by vote of the people in the respective townships, and that this vote be by ballot.

"*Resolved*, Further, that all white men who intend abiding by these results are invited to participate in these primaries.

"*Resolved*, Further, that the precinct executive committees be elected at this first primary and by ballot as prescribed above."

There is much to be said for this and very little, if anything, against it. In the first place it is thoroughly Democratic because the people give their decision direct and instruct the men whom they send to represent them in the conventions. It goes without saying that the candidates so nominated would come nearer giving general satisfaction than the nominees of conventions where the result not infrequently depends on wire manipulation and sharp practice, defeating men the people preferred and putting up as party representatives "dark horses" that were never thought of, much less discussed before the conventions met. The fact that the men nominated are the direct choice of the people, and that the people feel this way about it, brings the party closer together, makes more people take a personal interest in the result, creates more enthusiasm and makes the party that much the stronger. When a voter can go to the primary and cast his vote for the man he prefers for an office and fails to do so it is his own fault and he is estopped from complaining if the man he preferred was not nominated.

The simple test whether the participant in a primary will pledge himself in good faith to stand by the action of the primary and support the nominees of the party is sufficient to admit any white man to participation. If he supports the party and the nominees of the party he is a good enough Democrat for all practical purposes, although he may not be in thorough accord with the party in all matters. He submits to the decision of the majority and that is genuine Democracy. We have been pursuing the primary system in this county for several years, and it has worked well.

The kit of a soldier of the London volunteers, who are going down to tackle the rustic Boers, consists of four pairs of trousers, four pairs of shoes, three caps, a suit of pajamas, a cork mattress, an air pillow, a canvas bucket, a canvas basin, a box of candles, a lantern, two Turkish towels, a filter, a clothes brush, a writing portfolio and sundry other articles. The fellow who got this up was in a hurry and forgot a cook stove, a set of furniture and a span of mules and a wagon to tote them for the volunteer.

The New York *Sun* rises to exclaim: "The South rebels against Col. Bryan's anti-expansion policy because the South looks to Asia for new markets for her products." We have heard of this "rebellion" before, and have been looking for it to see what it looks like, but have utterly failed to find it, or anything that looks like it, with our long range, wide-sweeping telescope. Some mischievous person has been imposing on the *Sun*.

Some writers say the Boer women are not pretty. But the Boers seem to be pretty well satisfied with them, so what difference does it make whether other people consider them pretty or not?

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Salisbury *Index*: Lexington is to have another immense cotton mill soon. The mill will be capitalized at $150,000 or $200,000 and will be one of the largest in that section.

— Durham *Herald*: The safe of Rufus Massey was robbed Monday morning of about $500. The robbery was evidently made in broad daylight. At least it was made after 4 o'clock in the morning.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: The LaFayette Knitting Mill Co., composed of Messrs. W. S. Cook, H. M. Pemberton, J. P. Cook and A. J. Cook, has been organized and will be incorporated for the purpose of the manufacture of ladies' and children's hose and men's half hose and such other knit goods as they may wish.

— Charlotte *News*: Wm. Truesdale was again convicted of the murder of Janie Brown in the Criminal Court Tuesday. The jury was out less than an hour. Judge Battle named February 8th as the day for the execution to take place. There seems to be but little doubt but what the execution will take place on the day named.

— Snow Hill *Standard*: There is no longer room for reasonable doubt that Snow Hill is to have a railroad. The right of way from Tarboro to Snow Hill has been bought, paid for and surveyed, and the road is now under construction, about one-third of it being already completed, and before the close of the nineteenth century Snow Hill will be in gear with the outside world.

— Statesville *Landmark*: For some time Messrs. J. G. Shelton and W. A. Thomas have been working quietly but effectively on a furniture factory for Statesville, and their work has been so far successful that they have secured subscriptions amounting to $14,000, enough to make the factory a certainty. It is hoped to get at least $1,000, and possibly $2,000 or $3,000 more, making the capital stock $16,000 or $17,000.

— Roxboro *Courier*: Col. John S. Cuningham, executor of the late John C. Terrell, with his lawyers, Major J. W. Graham and J. S. Merritt, have made a final settlement with the county of the Terrell estate. After taking off the appropriations for the 27 school houses to be built, the public schools of the county get the sum of $55,000, the interest of which will go annually to the running of the free schools. The money and bonds have been turned over to the trustees, Messrs. S. A. Long, John S. Cuningham and J. S. Bradsher.

— Kinston *Free Press*: Word was received at Kinston that Joe Porter, a negro, was burned to death in the calaboose at Grifton Friday night. He was put in the calaboose in a drunken state. Parties passing discovered the building on fire about 12:30 o'clock. Effort was made to extricate the negro from the burning building, and one of the party was able to get hold of one leg; but before he could drag the negro out, was driven back by the flames. The negro set the building on fire in attempt to make his escape and thereby brought his horrible fate upon himself.

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Could not express the rapture of Annie E Springer, of 1125 Howard street, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"it soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50 cents and $1 00. Trial bottle 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. Every bottle guaranteed. †

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, Pa., was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in the back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and I am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— Senator Beveridge, of Indiana, may be a very bright young man, but what shall we think of the judgment of one who declares that men now living will see Manila a greater port than Liverpool? Beveridge is fresh.—*Atlanta Journal, Dem.*

—— Our contemporaries at London explained in the beginning that General White's first duty would be to stop the incursions of the Boers into British territory. It seems the whole war has now reached a stopping point with the enemy resting on British grounds.—*Jacksonville, Fla. Times-Union and Citizen, Dem.*

—— The British in their fatuous adherence to obsolete methods of warfare complain that the Boers are cowards because they seek all available shelter. We haven't yet seen anything, however, about Britain's reducing the thickness of her battleships' armor plate or dismantling the Gibraltar defenses so as to give her soldiers a better chance to laugh at death.—*Denver Times, Rep.*

—— The industrial Commission, on Saturday, heard testimony of a Connecticut white man who is farming with negro assistants in Georgia. He said his negro laborers were as cheap and efficient as, and more faithful than, the same class of white labor in Connecticut; that the negroes made good farm hands, but needed intelligence, thrift and energy to make them successful farmers on their own account. As the same thing can be said of many, perhaps the majority, of white farmers at the North, the future of the negro as a cultivator of the soil does not seem to be utterly hopeless.—*Philadelphia Ledger, Ind.*

TWINKLINGS

— Mrs. Smiler—"Are you going to swear off drinking New Year's, John?" Mr. Smiler—"Why, certainly. Don't I every year?"—*Brooklyn Life.*

— Jagsby (after the show)—"The antics of the comedian were certainly laughable." Mrs. Jagsby—"Yes; and I suppose you went out between the acts to smile, didn't you?"

— Mrs. McCarlem—"That piano lamp ye sold me is no good, an' Oi want yez to take it back." Dealer—"Eh? Why?" Mrs. McCarlem—"Divil a chune con we git out it."

— Kentucky Teacher (of infant geography class)—"Tommy Blood may tell us what a strait is." Tommy Blood "It's jis' th' plain stuff 'thought nothin' in it."—*Ohio State Journal.*

— A Misapprehension—"Was that your dog that was howling all night?" "I guess it was." "Why in thunder don't you feed him?" "Heavens, man, it's indigestion that makes him howl!"—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— "We might just as well come to an understanding right now," said the angry husband. "It's hard for you to hear the truth, especially from me, but——" "Indeed it is," interrupted the patient wife. "I hear it so seldom."

— "Italy favors the open door," remarked Mrs. Snaggs, who had been reading about the American proposals regarding China. "It must be warmer in Italy than it is here," commented Mr. Snaggs.—*Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.*

— First Ostrich (on Mr. Hogg's ranch)—"Are you going to let that man Bryan ride you?" Second Ostrich—"I should say not. Didn't you hear that man who feeds us say that Bryan had ridden his last hobby to death?"—*Baltimore American.*

— You know that jewel of a hired girl of mine who left the Binkinsopps and came to me for a dollar more a week?" "Yes." "Well, would you believe it, that despicable Billinger woman is trying to buy her away from me!"—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

STAGE GLINTS.

E. S. Willard is at Aix-les-Bains. His health, it is said, is almost restored.

"Bishop Potter has never been in a theater in New York." This item is now traveling around, apparently challenging some sensitive actor to start up and say he was never in a church.

Roland Reed has been making use of the Boston Public library for historical material necessary in a colonial drama he is writing. The scene of his new play is Philadelphia in the middle of the last century.

After Amelia Bingham has completed a few weeks on the road with "The Cuckoo" she will originate the leading role in a light comedy called "Ladies First," which Charles Frohman has had in his possession for a year.

The spurs worn by James O'Neill as D'Artagnan in "The Musketeers" were given to him by Edwin Forrest, with whom Mr. O'Neill won his first spurs on the stage, artistically speaking, as he was Forrest's leading man when only 22 years old.

The great Italian actress, Adelaide Ristori, who is now 77, recently gave an entertainment in Rome in honor of her only son's fiftieth birthday. He is the Marquis Giorgio Capranica del Grillo and a gentleman in waiting to Queen Margherita.

Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel," which for some four or five years has been peacefully reposing in a managerial pigeonhole at the Opera Comique in Paris, has suddenly been discovered by the powers of that famed theater and will be produced next winter.

The first roof garden in London, to be built on Charles Wyndham's new theater, will be a very tame affair, to which only the patrons of the theater are to be admitted. It will be used, moreover, as a lounging and smoking resort and not for theatrical performances of any kind.

THE FASHION PLATE.

Velvets, both plain and fancy, are to be very much worn.

Deep plum, garnet, gray and tan are the fashionable colors for cloth and velvet gowns.

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SI WAS A SCHEMER.

BUT HE MET HIS WATERLOO IN THE END.

The Story of a Mean Man Who Beat the Storekeeper Out of Matches, but Got Tripped Up on a Pair of Boots.

This is the traditional tale of a mean old cuss who once lived in a neighboring town. It was written in the archives of the village that he "didn't care no more for a nickel than he did for his life," and some of the antiquaries of today maintain that he was the original hero of the famous double yolk egg and needle swapping incident which has long been celebrated in song and story.

Fame did not wait until after his death to come to him, for his name was great in his own day and generation, and in consequence when he went into the general store to do some "tradin" the group about the stove would cease discussions of living questions of art, philosophy and finance and would listen eagerly to learn his new device for getting the better of the storekeeper. He always had a new one.

His name was Si. The story goes that one day he approached the dealer on a matter of pipes and matches, while the group about the stove listened with expectant grins and many nudges, all of which were entirely unnecessary.

"Say, Lemuel," said old Si, "What'r ye gittin fer them pipes?"

"Two cents apiece," said Lemuel, with a look in his eye like that in the eye of a wrestler who spars for a hold.

"An how much be the matches?"

"Cent a bunch, three for 2," said Lemuel.

"Wouldn't sell two for a cent?" asked old Si.

"Nope," said Lemuel.

"Wuth a cent apiece to ye, be they?"

"Yep."

"Tell yer what," said the bargainer, "throw in a bunch er matches if I buy three pipes."

"Nope."

"Wouldn't anyhow, I s'pose?"

"Nope. And the group about the stove hugged themselves in silent delight.

"Well, le's see," said old Si, calculating. "I s'pose if a customer wants to return goods that ain't damaged you'll 'commodate him?"

"Yep."

"Well, I'll take two pipes; that's 4 cents."

"Yep."

"An three bunches er matches; that's 2 cents."

"Yep."

The transfer was made, and old Si started for the door. The group at the stove opened their mouths to congratulate the storekeeper, when they saw the customer turn again.

"I dunno what I'm thinkin of, gettin all these matches," said old Si. "Here, Lemuel, you take back two bunches and gimme 2 cents. That'll make us square."

The flush of victory had made Lemuel careless. "Jes's you say," he remarked. And the deed was done.

"Well, now, I guess I'll take another pipe," said the bargainer, and he passed over the 2 cents again and got it.

"Took 'em a long time to clean out that road down to the center, didn't it?" said old Si. "Looks like more rain too." And he went out.

When the group about the store had finished slapping their knees and wagging their heads and saying "Haw, haw, haw!" and "By gosh!" the storekeeper allowed that he would get even with old Si if it took a $5 note. One day he did, though they had several encounters which ended with honors even in the meantime. Old Si's Waterloo was concealed in a pair of boots.

The storekeeper picked out a shopworn pair, which were worth much money when they were new, and told old Si that they were worth $4. Old Si felt that it was a bargain in spite of the shopwear, but he knew better than to pay $4 for the pair. The group about the store pricked up their ears when the old man said, "What'd you sell one fer?"

The storekeeper saw means of success beyond his dreams. It came on him like a flash. "Two dollars."

"Well," said old Si, "my left boot's as good's new. I guess if you gimme the right er that pair, I'll be all hunky."

"Take it," said the storekeeper. And old Si undid the string on his wallet and counted out the $2.

The storekeeper had not traded with old Si for nothing. He knew what was coming. The old man reached the door. Then he turned again.

"Say, Lemuel," said the old man, with a great air of indifference, "I dunno's that other boot's any particular valyer to you, is it?"

"Nope," said Lemuel. "Now that I come to think on't, guess 'tain't." He opened the stove and popped the other half of the pair into the blazing fire. "D'ye find much mud on the way over? Seem's if it couldn't do nothin but rain lately." The boot was on the other leg.—*Worcester Gazette.*

New Physiological Instrument.

A very delicate instrument known as the biometer and intended for measuring the intensity of the vital force in man has been contrived by Dr. Baraduch of Munich. This intensity is claimed to have proportionate effects in attracting or repelling a delicately poised needle so many degrees. Continued youth of course depends upon the keeping of this force at its maximum after middle age. Now, the principle of the biometer is that when a man is in perfect health the vital current plays through his system from right to left. The right hand then will attract the needle 15 degrees, because the current is entering, and the needle strives to follow the force, while the left hand will repel it, because the force is leaving that extremity. Loss of vitality is supposed to be shown by both hands repelling the needle, though during sleep both hands attract it. A reversal of the current of its own accord is looked upon as an unfavorable harbinger, and on the biometer registering a great loss of vitality the subject is to be shut in a cell in which are arranged electric lights of great intensity and other electric fixtures, and after remaining in this luminous bath for five minutes he regains his maximum of vigor.

Harness For Piano Students.

To prevent piano students from dropping their wrists too low, a common fault with beginners, a musician of Washington has invented a support which, it is claimed, not only corrects this fault, but offers a very grateful relief for the student. His device,

SUPPORT FOR PIANO PLAYER'S HANDS.

shown in the accompanying cut, has cuffs to be attached to the wrists, with an adjustable strap to pass over the shoulders and be tightened until it lifts the wrists to the proper height. While sustaining the arm and wrist in the correct position for fingering the keys of the piano this contrivance is yielding to a sufficient extent to permit the hand to conveniently reach all the octaves of the keyboard.

THE TROTTING CIRCUIT.

Local, 2:19¼, by Wildnut, recently sold for $4,000 at auction in Anstida.

The half mile track trotting record of Kansas is 2:14¼, held by John Nolan.

The stable boys of Colonel Isaac L. Goff of Providence all wear white duck uniforms and caps.

The fast pacer Coney, by McKinney, is said to have shown a half in 1:03 in one of his races at Denver.

Terrill S. the fast pacer by Strathmore, made a new record for the Nashua (N. H.) track recently, 2:18¼.

The 8-year-old trotter The Bondsman, by Baron Wilkes, is credited with a trial mile i. 2:20 and repeat in 2:17½ at Lexington recently.

Zembia, brown mare, by King Almont, dam Minnie Helm, by American Boy, lowered her record at Readville July 18, from 2:18¼ to 2:11½.

George J. Reiff of Allentown, Pa., has a game pacer in Allen, by McCurdy. He recently stepped a second heat of a winning race in 2:18¾.

The starting judge, A. H. Merrill, thinks the starter should occupy a stand by himself where he would not be handicapped by outside interference.

Driver McHenry says that week in and week out during the grand circuit races Searchlight will win more money than any other single pacer in the country.

A year ago George Odom was unknown as a jockey. He has now signed for a term of three years with the Hon. W. C. Whitney, beginning 1900, at $10,000 per year.

The gray mare Bessie Gilbert, by Future Gilbert, who trotted in 2:18¼ at Cedar Rapids, Ia., the other day, is the same mare that paced to a record of 2:15½ two years ago. It is predicted that she will trot in 2:12 this season.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute	6½@	6¾
Standard	10¼@	6¾
Burlaps	5 @	15½
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔	12½ @	15
Sides ℔	5½@	6
Shoulders ℔	@	6
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔	6 @	6¼
Shoulders ℔	@	6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1 15 @	1 20
New New York, each	@	1 35
New City, each	@	1 35
BEESWAX ℔	@	25
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔	18 @	20
Nothing	27 @	30
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	46 @	47½
Virginia Meal	@	47½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	@	1 10
CANDLES—℔ D—		
Sperm	18 @	25
Adamantine	8 @	11
CHEESE—℔		
Northern Factory	16 @	18
Dairy Cream	@	18
State	14 @	15
COFFEE—℔ D—		
Laguyra	13 @	16
Rio	8 @	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s	@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	14 @	15
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00 @	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5 @	10
Extra	4 35 @	4 50
FLOUR—℔ B—		
Low grade	@	3 00
Choice	@	3 50
Straight	3 75 @	3 90
First Patent	4 25 @	4 50
GLUE—℔ D	13½@	15
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	52 @	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White	@	50
Oats, from store	36 @	40
Oats, Rust Proof	@	35
Cow Peas	60 @	65
HIDES—℔ D—		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	10 @	13½
Dry salt	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 Ds		
Clover Hay	85 @	90
Rice Straw	40 @	50
Eastern	80 @	85
Western	80 @	85
North River	80 @	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ D	3½@	4
LARD, ℔ B—		
Northern	6 @	6¼
North Carolina	8 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M R—		
ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @	15 00
Common mill	5 00 @	6 50
Fair mill	6 50 @	8 00
Prime mill	8 50 @	10 00
Extra mill	10 00 @	19 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead	@	35
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	35
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28 @	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	25 @	30
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	25 @	35
NAILS, ℔ gallon—Cut, 60d basis	2 50 @	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	10 00 @	10 50
Rump	@	9 50
Prime	@	9 00
ROPE, ℔ D	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 20
Liverpool	90 @	95
American	85 @	90
On 125 ℔ Sacks	@	60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @	6 00
Common	1 60 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ B—Standard Gran'd	5¼@	5¾
Standard A	4¾@	5
White Extra C	@	4¾
Extra C, Golden	@	4¼
C, Yellow	@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ B—Northern	3½@	6
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00 @	10 00
Mill, Prime	7 50 @	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	7 00
Common Mill	5 00 @	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50 @	5 00
SHINGLES, N. C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
" Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00 @	3 50
" Sap	2 00 @	2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ D	@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	14 @	18

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Nor barque F C Silben, 608 tons, Larsen, Havre, Heide & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 18, 1900.

STEAMSHIPS.

Chatburn (Br) 1,224 tons, Wood, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Wanola (Br) 272 tons, Wagner, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Julia Elizabeth (Br) 120 tons, Sweeting, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Cora M, 136 tons, Mitchell, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Mecosta, 199 tons, Stratton, J T Riley & Co. (In distress).

Nellie Floyd, 435 tons, Nielsen, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Jno R Fell, 355 tons, Loveland, George Harriss, Son & Co.

Abbie G Cole, 232 tons, Cole, George Harriss, Son & Co.

BARQUES.

F C Silben (Nor) 608 tons, Larsen, Havre, Heide & Co.

Solid (Nor) 507 tons. Weden, Heide & Co.

Glimt (Nor) 735 tons, Birkeland, Rotterdam, Heide & Co.

BARGES.

Maria Dolores, 610 tons, Bonneau, Charleston, Virginia-Carolinia Chemical Co.

Carrie L Ixler, 588 tons, Jones, Charleston, S C, Virginia-Carolina Chemical Co.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 17.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.20 per barrel for strained and $1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.25 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady at $1.60 per barrel for hard, $2.90 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 41¾@41¾c; rosin quiet at 97½@$1.10½; tar steady at $1.10; crude turpentine firm at $1.35@$2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	24
Rosin	311
Tar	308
Crude turpentine	5

Receipts same day last year.—45 casks spirits turpentine, 456 bbls rosin, 343 bbls tar, 37 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 7¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 13 16 cts.	℔
Good ordinary	6 3-16	" "
Low middling	6 13-16	" "
Middling	7¼	" "
Good middling	7½	" "

Same day last year middling 5¾c.

Receipts—1,568 bales; same day last year, 382.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 62½c. Extra prime, 67½c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 75c. Virginia—Prime 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm, 52 to 53½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch, $4.00 to $5.00, seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 17.—Money on call was easier at 2@4 per cent., last loan at 2½ per cent., ruling rate — cent. Prime mercantile paper 5 @6 per cent. Sterling exchange strong; actual business in bankers' bills at 487½@487¾ for demand and at 483¾@483¾ for sixty days. Posted rates 484¼ and 488. Commercial bills—no report. Silver certificates 59@60. Bar silver 59¼. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds firm. State bonds easy. Railroad bonds firm. U. S. 2's, reg'd, 102½; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 109¾; do. coupon, 110½; U.S. new 4's, reg'd, 133; do. coupon, 134; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 114½; do coupon, 114¾; U. S. 5's, registered, int. 112; do. coupon, 113¾; N. C. 6's 127; do. 4's, 105; Southern Railway 5's 107. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 58¾; Chesapeake & Ohio 30; Manhattan L 93¾; New York Central 134½; Reading 17¾; do. 1st preferred 49¾; St. Paul 117¾; do. preferred 169; Southern Railway 11½; do. preferred 54; American Tobacco, 99¾; do. preferred 133; People's Gas 103¾; Sugar 118¾; do. preferred 113; T. C. & Iron 84½; U. S. Leather 17¾; do. preferred 75¾; Western Union 86¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 16.—Rosin —no report. Spirits turpentine steady.

CHARLESTON, January 17.—Spirits turpentine firm at 50c; no sales. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Prices unchanged.

SAVANNAH, January 17.—Spirits turpentine firm at 50c; sales 650 casks; receipts 397 casks; exports 3,153 casks. Rosin firm; sales 2,871 barrels; receipts 3,840 barrels; exports 3,451 barrels. A, B, C, D, $1 20; E, $1 25; F, $1 30; G, $1 40; H, $1 70; I, $1 90; K, $2 00; M, $2 25; N, $2 65, W G, $3 15; W W, $3 65.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 17.—Price fluctuations and the volume of business on the Cotton Exchange to-day were insignificant. Though room traders entertained more or less decided ideas as to the course prices should take, few operators showed the least inclination to transact business. The outside public, the South and Europe, were

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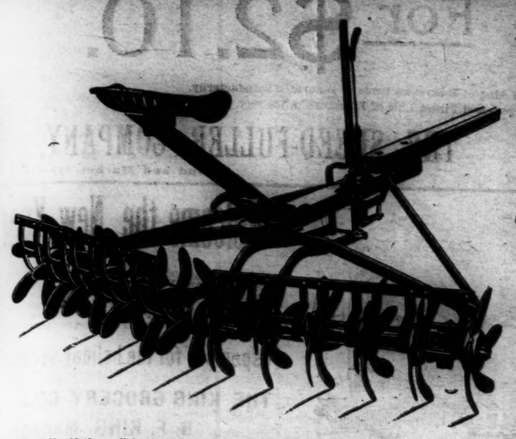

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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:20 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 3:36 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:55 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., and Atlanta 7:30 A. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:00 A. M. Arrives Monroe 5:45 A. M., Wadesboro 6:51 A. M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 9:52 A. M., Raleigh 11:18 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9:06 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12:05 noon.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 5:00 . M., Richmond 9:00 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 . M., Weldon 11:10 P. M. Arrives Raleigh 2:14 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Wadesboro 6:01 A. M., Monroe 6:33 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 405—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Lincolton 9:22 A. M., Shelby 10:10 A. M., Ruther fordton 11:25 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Rutherfordton 4:40 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:53 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:20 P. M., Monroe 9:10 P. M.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 9:30 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:10 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:15 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 5:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7:40 A. M.

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HUMOR

HE FILLED THE BILL.

Though She Was Educated, She Readily Accepted Him.

"Why," he asked when they had seated themselves alone at one end of the porch, "do you suppose, is it that educated women do not marry?"

"But educated women do marry," she replied. "I know of three or four educated women who have been married within the past month or two."

"Oh, yes, of course, some of them marry. But why do so many of them remain single?"

"Perhaps it is because the educated woman's horizon is broader than that of the uneducated, because she demands more."

"Then it is not because she looks upon marriage itself as a bad thing?"

"Oh, dear, no."

"And you have declined proposals because you demanded much?"

She tied and untied her dainty handkerchief and looked down and blushed and faintly answered:

"Yes. One of them was only 5 feet 3 and the other couldn't have weighed more than 90 pounds."

Being 6 feet tall in his socks, he then spoke out and got her.—Chicago Times-Herald.

One on Papa.

Papa had been giving Tommy a peppery lecture on the evils of careless handling of firecrackers, and Tommy, with one hand bandaged and his head tied up, listened gravely.

When his father concluded and went out, the boy turned to his grandmother.

"Grandma," he said, "how did papa get that funny twist in his mouth?"

"Blowing on a lighted firecracker when he was about your age," replied grandma.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Question of Heredity.

"Is there, after all, such a thing as an inexorable law of heredity?" mused the lay figure.

The unconscious imbecile felt assured that there was.

"For who," he urged, "having an ancestor drawn and quartered for stealing sheep, could help but feel more or less cut up?"

The others were by no means convinced, for mere subtlety is not argument.—Detroit Journal.

Distrustful.

"No," said the Filipino, "we don't want any more civilization."

"Why, you have never tried the real article."

"We can't take any chances. Since Aguinaldo got to posing as a civilized person we ordinary people have to hide every time we see a stranger, for fear he's another assessor."—Washington Star.

Not Ready to Accept.

"Are the conditions for the proposed fight satisfactory?" asked the reporter.

"Perfectly," replied the pugilist.

"Then you will accept?"

"Not now. We couldn't think of doing it now. We wouldn't have anything to talk about if we accepted the conditions right away."—Chicago Post.

A Valuable Alliance.

"I know a Scotchman who says he never played golf in his life."

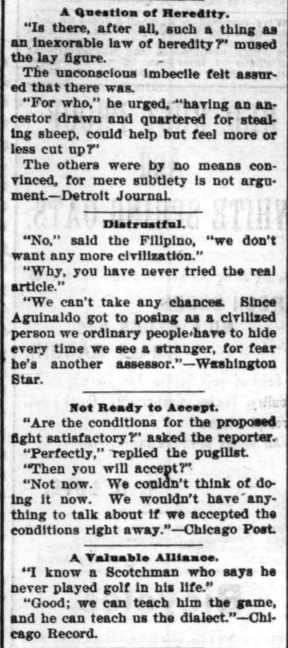
"Good; we can teach him the game, and he can teach us the dialect."—Chicago Record.

So Far as Appearances Go.

"Billy, do you think woman ought to smoke?"

"Well, she wouldn't look much uglier than she does chewing gum."—Detroit Free Press.

A Neat Little Turnout.



—Nuggets.

Mr. Astor of London.

And must you leave us, Willie, dear,
And doom us all to social wreck?
You'll ba, in your selected sphere,
A two spot in a euchre deck.

We're doing what we can to bring
An aristocracy about.
The one to which you choose to cling,
They say, is pretty near played out.

Some day you'll notice, with a shock,
Our rich men ruling, far and near;
Some day a prodigal you'll knock;
Then you'll be sorry, Willie, dear.
—Washington Star.

Not Sure of the Name.

"I have an awful pain in my back," said an old lady to her doctor in Topeka. "Probably you have rheumatism," responded the doctor. "Mebby it is, doctor, but Sister Mary thinks I've got the limburger."—Kansas City Journal.

Their Advice Goes Unheeded.

First High School Graduate—This is an unappreciative world.

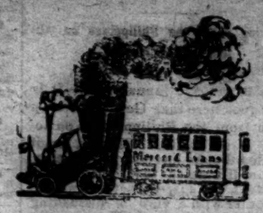
Second High School Graduate—Yes; not one of the suggestions we volunteered on managing the government has been followed.—Ohio State Journal.

In Dog Days.

'Tis now the time when misery
And moisture seem synonymous,
When poor humanity feels weak
And tired and mucilagious,
But still the Ebenezer'll rise
In any one who knows what's what,
As lying bulletins declare
'Tis humid, but it isn't hot.

Though sick folk in the hospitals
And crying babies in our block
Proclaim the truth, the weather sharp
At mortal anguish seems to mock,
Abetted by thermometers
That one and all join in the plot
To give the lie to fact, he says,
'Tis humid, but it isn't hot.

You parch, you burn inside and out,
You stifle, dripping, all but drowned
In your own perspiration; still,
Though by a dog day you are downed,
That doesn't prove 'tis torrid. Nay,
While man pours out a polyglot
Cursing of heat, officially
'Tis humid, but it isn't hot!
—Boston Globe.



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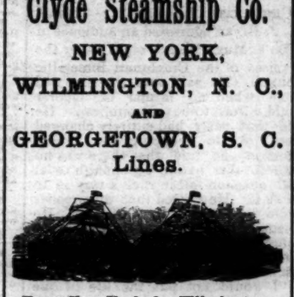

From New York for Wilmington.

SAGINAW .....Saturday, Jan. 13
RICHMOND.....Saturday, Jan. 20

From Wilmington for New York.

RICHMOND.....Saturday, Jan. 13
SAGINAW .....Saturday, Jan. 20

From Wilmington for Georgetown.

RICHMOND.....Tuesday, Jan. 9
SAGINAW.....Tuesday, Jan. 16

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The Murchison National Bank,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Capital, - - -	**$ 200,000**
Net Profits, - -	**17,000**
Deposits, - -	**377,182**

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STATEMENT OF

Atlantic National Bank,

WILMINGTON N. C.

At the Close of Business Dec. 2nd, 1899, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans	$ 358,971.54
Overdrafts	8 79
U. S. Bonds (at par)	95,500.00
Banking House and Fixtures	10,000.00
Due from app'd res've agt's	$ 78,160.25
Due from other banks	169,160.99
Cash on hand	79,331.51—327,652.75
Total	$1,092,283.11

LIABILITIES.

Capital	$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits	101,784.40
Circulation	41,040.00
Deposits U. S. Treas	$ 50,000.00
Deposits from Banks	207,698.55
Deposits from individuals	731,715.16
Certificates of Deposit	35,000.00—1,024,408.71
Total	$1,092,283.11

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Dec. 2 '97.	Dec. 2 '98.	Dec. 2 '99.
Total deposits	$272,000	$874,500	$1,024,000
Surplus and net profit	76,200	97,500	101,784

Dividends Paid—6 Per Cent. Per Annum.

☞ Last Instalment of Capital Paid in October 1899. dec 8 tf

200 Boxes Tobacco.

400 Boxes Lye.
240 Boxes Laundry Soap.
50 Barrels Rice.
25 Barrels Vinegar.
25 Half Barrels Cider.
50 Barrels Molasses.
100 Boxes Potted Ham.
50 Boxes Corned Beef.
100 Boxes Starch.
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One valuable six-room house in Kenansville, Duplin county, N. C., just completed. Known as "Birchwood Cottage," with nice office on lot; also, garden and outbuildings. Located in a desirable part of the town. Kenansville is a pleasant town to live in—famed for its pure spring water and healthy locality. James Sprunt Institute, one of the best schools in the State, is located there.

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A desirable building lot in the town of Burgaw, consisting of one-fourth of an acre, fronting railroad, and it is a corner lot.

Farm at Burgaw.

A desirable farm at Burgaw. The residence and about one-third of the farm within the corporate limits of the town. About twenty acres cleared; six acres in strawberries; one acre in fruit trees and grape vines. All necessary outbuildings. A nice desirable six-room residence. Farm contains 100 acres.

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Containing 365 acres, four miles from Magnolia, N. C., in the great truck belt. About seventy acres cleared; thirty acres of black branch land well timbered with curly yellow pine. Fine meadow land and best range for hogs, sheep and cattle. Five-room dwelling, with barn, stables and other out-houses. Nearly a half-acre in prolific grape vines. Lot of apple and plum trees. Beautiful oak and hickory grove surrounds dwelling. Good water. Admirably adapted to tobacco culture, and now has eight acres in cultivation. Also, two tobacco barns. Fences and ditches in good condition.

A Nice Farm.

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Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52.	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
8 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
8 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 26 p m
9 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	11 48 p m
12 40 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	8 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 26 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 39 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
6 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

No. 46.		No. 47.
South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
8 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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Schedule in Effect Jan. 14, 1900.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11.49 A. M., Goldsboro 12.12 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.21 P. M. Weldon 4.35 P. M., Petersburg 5.18 P. M., Richmond 7.55 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.30 P. M., Warsaw 8.53 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 5.20 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.30 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M

DAILY except Sunday 3.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND

DAILY 3.45 P. M — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.30 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12 25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1 43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York †2 30 P. M., Philadelphia 12 20 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M. Washington 4 58 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9 48 A. M., Norfolk 3.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.53 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.02 P. M., Magnolia 4 35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 33 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6 48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.21 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 5.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.57 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.25 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.05 A. M

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M. arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9 58 A. M., Hope Mills 10.48 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.58 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 9 05 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 P. M., Greenville 6.27 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.59 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.35 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 5.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.30 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10 00 A. M. 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.35 P. M. Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.55 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.55 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M. Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.15 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 11.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.35 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.32 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.08 A. M

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 8.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 6.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 P. M., Darlington 8.32 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.55 P. M. 10.25 P. M. arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.09 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M. Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 12.17 A. M. Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.55 A. M., Fayetteville 12.30 P. M., 9.55 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.35 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrives Denmark 6.19 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.00 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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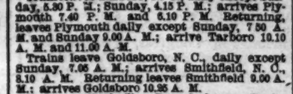
Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.



To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	5 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 19	.....
9 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 37	9 00
7 00	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 37
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M. and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 3.00 P. M. and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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**WILMINGTON, N. C.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 18.

PROGRESS OF THE WAR IN THE PHILIPPINES.

An Expedition Sent to Occupy Islands of Samar and Leyte--The Insurgents at Panay Attacked--Thirty Killed.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, January 17, 7.15 P. M.—Colonel Kobbe, with the Forty-eighth infantry, sailed on board the transport Hancock to-day with gunboats escorting. The object of the force is probably the important islands of Samar and Leyte, which the insurgents hold.

The American blockade and the levies of the Tagal army have caused great suffering among the people and hundreds of persons are in an almost starving condition.

The Tagal General Mauricio recently landed at Negros from the Island of Panay, and requested a conference with Colonel Byrne. He proposed that the insurgents be let alone and permitted to wear side arms and uniforms in the towns until the war in Luzon was ended, when they would surrender. Colonel Byrne refused to agree to this, however, and said they would be considered as bandits and shot if they were found armed. Colonel Byrne surprised the insurgent camp the same night and scattered the Filipinos, killing thirty of them, including a general.

Mgr. Chapelle and the Friars.

MANILA, January 17, 7.05 P. M.—The presence here of Archbishop Chapelle, the archbishop and apostolic delegate to the Philippines, is stirring the Catholics of all nationalities. The Filipinos have gained the impression that Mgr. Chapelle came as the joint agent of President McKinley and the Pope to reinstate the Friars in their former power. One cause of the excitement is a statement which the Dominicans furnished to the Spanish press that Mgr. Chapelle, in visiting the heads of the order, told them he favored the retention of the brotherhoods, and that President McKinley shared his views, which were that "if the Friars returned to the parishes they would be considered elements of good order, and therefore American agents."

Mgr. Chapelle denies the accuracy of these statements and Catholics of all sections are petitioning Mgr. Chapelle and Major General Otis against the Friars returning to the parishes, repeating the charges of oppressions, extortions and immoralities which, they assert, caused the revolution of 1896. The Catholics request that they be given priests not connected with the brotherhoods. Delegations from many of the towns are visiting the provincial governors for the purpose of making the same request, and prominent Manila Catholics are cabling the Pope on the subject. The people say the Friars will be driven out if they return to their parishes, and there will be continual trouble if the administration attempts to protect them. To quell the excitement Major General Otis consented to the publication in the local newspapers of a statement which he had made to a delegation of Filipinos, as follows:

"If the church authorities assign Friars to curacies who are obnoxious to the people, they will not be compelled to accept them. The individual liberty guaranteed by the American constitution will not be denied the Filipinos, and the government will not force upon them any ecclesiastical denomination contrary to their wishes."

S. A. L. CONSOLIDATION.

Great Progress Made in Consummation of Plans for Merger of Roads With the Raleigh and Gaston.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, January 17.—Great progress was made here to-day towards the consummation of the plans of the Greater Seaboard Air Line system.

Meetings were held by the directors and stockholders of the Raleigh and Gaston railroad, and resolutions were adopted providing for the immediate merger with the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company of the Raleigh and Augusta Air Line, the Durham and Northern railroad, the Carolina Central railroad, the Georgia, Carolina and Northern railway, the Palmetto railroad and the Chesterfield and Kershaw railroad.

Under the plan adopted all the physical properties of the above mentioned railroad companies will be forthwith acquired by the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company, thus increasing the mileage owned by the Raleigh and Gaston to eight hundred miles.

Arrangements were also made for the issuance of $5,000,000 first mortgage bonds upon the Raleigh and Gaston railroad properties, including its ownership in other lines. Of the $5,000,000 there is to be $1,200,000 reserved in the treasury for the purpose of retiring the present outstanding bonds of the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company.

The total indebtedness of all the roads to be thus immediately merged with the Raleigh and Gaston railroad, including new bonds to be issued, will be about $14,000,000, or less than $18,000 per mile on the eight hundred miles of road, which will be directly owned by the Raleigh and Gaston Company. The earnings of the system show a large surplus over and above the interest on all bonds now outstanding, or those proposed to be issued.

The vote upon questions submitted to the meeting stood 14,967 in favor of, and 18 shares against. These eighteen shares were voted by the attorneys of Thomas F. Ryan.

Meetings were also held of the stockholders of the Durham and Northern railway, and in which every share of stock of the company was represented and voted unanimously in favor of the merger with the Raleigh and Gaston Railroad Company.

At the next meeting of the stockholders of the Raleigh and Gaston railroad, which will take place on January 31st, the acquisition of additional railroads will probably be reported.

THE POPULIST PARTY.

State Committee to Meet in Raleigh Today to Fix Date for Convention.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, January 17.—The Populist State Committee meets here tomorrow at 8 o'clock in the Senate chamber. The meeting is called to fix the date for the State convention, also to discuss the constitutional amendment. It is believed that the party is considerably divided on the amendment and many Populists are predicting that no position will be taken in the convention in regard to it.

The East Carolina Real Estate Agency will sell for cash, or will exchange for desirable house and lot in Wilmington, a farm of 272 acres, three miles from Rose Hill. Address R. G. Grady & Co., Burgaw, N.C. †

THE SEIZURE OF AMERICAN FLOUR.

Senate Adopted the Resolution of Inquiry Offered by Mr. Hale of Maine.

THE GOLD STANDARD BILL.

A Final Vote on the Measure to Be Taken February 15th--The Philippine Question Discussed--House Proceedings—Gage's Report.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 17.—Without difficulty and within five minutes an agreement was reached in the Senate to-day to take a final vote on the pending bill fixing gold as the standard of value in the United States. Senator Aldrich, chairman of the Finance Committee, suggested February 1st as a suitable date for the vote. Senator Jones, Democrat, Arkansas, named February 15th, and his proposition was accepted by Senator Aldrich. In the intervening time the measure will be discussed.

After several days of debate the drag-net resolution of inquiry regarding the conduct of the Philippine war was adopted. It was introduced by Senator Hoar, Massachusetts, and was adopted as a general substitute for resolutions of a similar but less extended character offered by Senator Pettigrew and Senator Lodge. Beyond a vigorous speech by Senator Pettigrew the resolution aroused no debate, and it is within the discretion of the President to send or not to send any of the information requested.

The resolution offered by Senator Hale, Maine, as to the seizure of flour by the British authorities was adopted, but only after a spirited debate and after the resolution had been materially amended.

The Philippines.

When the Hoar resolution, amended by Senator Lodge, calling for general information regarding the conduct of the insurrection in the Philippines was taken up, Senator Pettigrew, South Dakota, spoke in favor of its passage. He declared that he had received information since the introduction of his resolutions that assured him of the facts he had asserted. "The blood of every soldier," said he, "who has fallen since the war began, is on the hands of the administration. The blood of the sixty soldier boys of South Dakota who lost their lives after being conscripted into an unwilling service after their terms had expired, lies at the door of the administration and there is no escape for it.

"I charge that the censorship of the press and the suppression of facts are for the purpose of advancing the political ambitions of Mr. McKinley."

"If this action," said Senator Pettigrew, "puts the administration in a hole, as was stated," it was not his fault. The resolution was then passed without division.

Seizure of American Flour.

Mr. Hale, Maine, called up his resolution requesting of the Secretary of State information relating to the seizure and detention of American flour by the British authorities in Delagoa bay, South Africa.

Senator Davis, of the Foreign Relations Committee, moved it be referred to his committee, saying it was premature, in view of the present diplomatic negotiations. It is a question to be determined whether the flour is for the use of an active hostile. Senator Davis thought the real question now under consideration is whether the matter comes within the province of international law. He said it did not become the Senator (Mr. Hale) to introduce such a resolution at this time, and, referring to the paragraph that further detention will be considered as without warrant and offensive to this government, he ventured to say that no pronunciamento upon so important a question was ever made by a government until the diplomatic negotiations relating to it had been completed. It is a statement which is made only on the verge of hostilities.

Senator Hale replied that the resolution was limited to one of inquiry; that the country was entitled to know the situation and that he deemed it perfectly clear that the seizure was not of contraband goods. It needed, he thought, no investigation by a committee to determine that flour was not contraband of war. "A majority of this Senate can stifle this resolution," said Senator Hale, warmly, "but it cannot be suppressed in any other way." He said one of the things he was trying to have answered was whether the flour seized was American flour, the property of American shippers.

The discussion of the question as to whether food products were ever contraband of war was precipitated by a question of Senator Lodge. Senator Hale questioned it very decidedly in the case of the flour, but he could conceive that it might be in certain circumstances. Such an admission would, in his opinion, however, be fraught with great danger to the United States now and in the future.

A Threat of War.

Senator Hawley, Connecticut, believed the resolution as introduced was a thinly worded threat of war. Our relations with Great Britain ought not to be disturbed unless for very grave reasons.

Senator Tillman, South Carolina, called attention to the shipment of mules to the British forces in South Africa from ports of the United States, the government taking no pains to prevent it.

Senator Platt replied that there was no inhibition against the shipment of such supplies to the British. The shippers made the shipments at their own risks.

Senator Foraker suggested that the resolution be directed to the President instead of the Secretary of State, but Senator Hale heatedly declined to accept further amendments. Senator Foraker then moved that the resolution be amended as he had suggested and the motion prevailed.

The Resolutions.

Without further controversy the resolution, as amended, was passed. As passed it reads as follows:

"WHEREAS, It is alleged that property of citizens of the United States not contraband of war has been lately seized by the military authorities of Great Britain in and near Delagoa bay, South Africa, without good reason for the same and contrary to the accepted principles of international law; and, whereas, it is alleged said property is now unjustly detained by the military authorities of Great Britain, in disregard of the right of the owners of the same; therefore, be it

"*Resolved*, By the Senate of the United States that the President is hereby requested to send to the Senate, if in his opinion, not compatible with the public interests, all information in possession of the State Department relating to said seizure and detention, and also to inform the Senate what steps have been taken in requesting the restoration of property taken and detained as aforesaid."

It was then determined that when the Senate adjourned to day it be until 1 o'clock to morrow.

Senator Pettigrew's resolution, calling for information from the Secretary of War as to the fiscal operations in Cuba, introduced yesterday, was passed without debate.

The Financial Bill.

At 2 o'clock the Financial bill was laid before the Senate. It was finally agreed to vote on it February 15th; that two days intervening should be devoted to ten minutes' debate on amendments to the bill; and that the measure should be considered on each legislative day, after 2 o'clock P. M.

Senator Teller, Silver Republican, of Colorado, then addressed the Senate on the Financial bill.

Senator Teller contended that the history of the American people showed that they were favorable to bimetallism and that until within very recent years the two parties had contended with each other in their advocacy of the cause. He renewed his charge that the Financial bill is practically a caucus measure, and had been accepted from the junta of ignorant men who constituted the Indianapolis convention. This he denounced as an amendment of the legislative function, and a surrender to outside influences. Still, he was satisfied that the bill would be put on the statute books as a law, because they were unable to resist the influence behind the measure, nothwithstanding the bill was contrary to the convictions of some Republican Senators and notwithstanding that as late as 1890 the Republican President had upheld bimetallism. The President had, as a member of the House, voted for the coinage and for the passage of the Bland Allison act ove the then President's veto. He concluded with an elaborate argument based on the declaration that silver dollars had been maintained in full value.

The Senate, after an executive session, adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The House had another inning to day over the sale of the New York custom house by Secretary Gage. Mr. Sulzer, of New York, the author of the resolution for an investigation of the secretary's transactions with the New York banks, started the ball rolling by charging that the mandate had already gone forth to suppress it. Mr. Sibley, the Pennsylvania Democrat, formerly a radical advocate of free silver who is now out of sympathy with the Democrats in the House, warmly commended Mr. Gage's course. These two speeches precipitated a debate which lasted almost three hours.

Mr. Hepburn, Republican, Iowa, assailed Mr. Sulzer for some of his extravagant statements and declared there ought to be some way to rebuke a member for slandering honored officials. Later in the day, during the discussion of an appropriation for the army, Mr. Cannon, in charge of the bill, challenged any member to move to strike it out.

Mr. Williams, Democrat, Mississippi, replied to Mr. Cannon in an eloquent speech, in which he affirmed the loyalty of every American citizen to the flag and charged Mr. Cannon with shrewdly issuing a challenge that he knew would not be accepted. He maintained the right, however, of members to criticise the policy of the government, asserting that loyalty to the flag was confounded with loyalty to a policy of the government.

The Urgent Deficiency bill was passed with only one important amendment. In Committee of the Whole to consider the Urgent Deficiency bill Mr. Sulzer, Democrat, of New York, took advantage of the first opportunity to call attention to his resolution to investigate the charges against Secretary Gage. The committee to which it had been referred had not acted. "I understand," said Mr. Sulzer, "that the boss of the Republican party says these charges are 'all rot,' and that the President does not want them investigated, and that nothing more is to be done with the grave charges." If that was so, he continued, the minority was entitled to know it. There was a remedy, he declared, and that remedy would be applied. He quoted President McKinley, while a member of Congress, in criticism of the course of Secretary Fairchild in keeping government funds in national banks.

Mr. Sulzer concluded with the statement that Secretary Gage had made the humiliating confession that he is and was the mere agent of the Standard Oil trust.

Mr. Sibley, Democrat, Pennsylvania, said that while he had supported Mr. Sulzer for the leadership of the House and the second place on the Democratic national ticket, he could not agree with him in his attack upon Secretary Gage. Mr. Sibley said he was satisfied with Mr. Gage's answer.

Several amendments by Mr. Lentz and others to increase the appropriation for rural free delivery were voted down. The committee rose and the bill was passed without division.

The House then adjourned until 1 o'clock to-morrow.

CASE OF BRIGHAM H. ROBERTS.

Report of Committee Recommending Exclusion Will Be Made Saturday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 17.—The special committee of the House of Representatives to investigate the case of Brigham H. Roberts, of Utah, to-day reached a final conclusion. On the polygamous status of Mr. Roberts the committee was unanimous and agreed upon a formal statement of facts. On the question of procedure to be adopted the committee was divided. The majority, consisting of all the members except Littlefield of Maine and Dearmond of Missouri, favored exclusion at the outset. Messrs. Littlefield (Republican) and Dearmond (Democrat) will make a minority report favorable to seating Roberts on his prima facie rights and then expelling him. The majority were Taylor, Frear, Morrison and McPherson, Republicans, and Lanham and Miers, Democrats.

Chairman Tayler says the report of the committee will be made on Saturday and that the subject will be taken up in the House next Tuesday.

PROGRESSIVE EUCHRE.

Report of the Criminal Court Grand Jury at Charlotte.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., January 17.—The Criminal Court grand jury in its report says that it is alarmed at the increase of crime, and believes it is due to the desire for gambling which permeates all stratas of society and that "the dainty hands that deftly deal cards at progressive euchre parties should be dealt with as sternly as the negro 'crap shooters.'"

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MOVEMENT OF BRITISH FORCES.

Buller's Troops Cross the Tugela River and Surprise the Boers.

DEMONSTRATION BY METHUEN

Gatacre Skirmishing Around Molteno—French Shelling the Boers at Rensberg—Plumer Moving to the Relief of Mafeking.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, January 18, 4.30 A. M.—General Buller's complete surprise of the Boers on Potgieter's drift hills tends greatly to restore confidence in his tactics. It is shown his forces are concentrated. In Cape Colony Methuen has made a demonstration in force, shelling the Boer works. Gatacre is skirmishing around Molteno. French is shelling the Boers at Rensberg. Colonel Plumer is moving to the relief of Mafeking, from Bechuanland, with less than 2,000 men. Mafeking is in a bad way; the siege is being pressed with determination and the Kaffirs are deserting. Plumer, on January 11th, was 100 miles north of Mafeking.

The *Times* publishes the following dispatch from Spearman's farm, dated 17th, 9:20 P. M.:

"The force marched westward on January 10th. Lord Dundonald, by a dashing movement, occupied the hills above Potgieter's drift, fifteen miles west of Colenso, taking the Boers completely by surprise.

"The same evening the infantry followed. General Lyttleton's brigade crossed the river yesterday and to-day shelled the Boer trenches beyond with howitzers.

"General Warren's force is now crossing Trichardte drift, five miles above. He is not opposed, although the Boers are holding a position five miles from the river."

A Fight on the Tugela.

A Pietermaritzburg dispatch to the *Mail* late Wednesday evening, the 17th, says arrivals from Estcourt report that there was a fight on the Tugela to-day. General Littleton, after crossing the drift, seized ridges a mile beyond and effectively shelled the Boers. Warren also lodged two miles beyond the Tugela toward Sproen Kop.

A Durban dispatch says smallpox is reported to have broken out among the Boers.

Boers Repulsed by French.

LONDON, January 17.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated Cape Town, January 16th, evening:

"On the 15th the Boers made a determined attack upon French's advanced post held by the New Zealand Mounted Rifles and a detachment of the First Yorkshires. The Boers were repulsed, having twenty killed. Their wounded estimated at not less than fifty. The attack was preceded by a long range fire from one gun. Otherwise the situation is unchanged."

General French's success, consoling to the British, is recognized as being only a side issue. The country is grateful to learn that the British losses in this engagement were only six men killed and five wounded.

The news that two transports with troops have been orderad from Cape Town to Port Elizabeth indicates that substantial reinforcements are on their way to General French.

An Artillery Duel.

RENNESBURG, CAPE COLONY, Tuesday, January 16.—The Boers opened an artillery duel this morning, using a captured British 15-pounder, which the British gunners ultimately silenced. The British kept up a searching fire all day long on the Boer kopjes, and also dragged up another gun to the summit of Coles' kop.

Demonstrations by Methuen.

MODDER RIVER, CAPE COLONY, Jan. 17.—There was a demonstration in force, under General Methuen, yesterday, a division being engaged, with the object of ascertaining the strength and disposition of the Boer force, and also in order to try to draw the Boers from Kimberley, where, lately, they have been active. The British discovered the Boers in great force and being reinforced from the direction of Jacobsdal.

At 4.30 the artillery opened fire, the shells dropping in the Boer entrenchments with great precision. The attack was directed against the Boer left. The firing continued until sunset, mostly with artillery, although the Guards on the right fired some long range volleys. The Boers reserved their fire until the British were returning to camp in the darkness, when six shells followed them. There were no casualties among the British troops.

Buller Making Progress.

LONDON, January 18.—The *Daily Mail* has the following, dated yesterday, from Pietermaritzburg:

"News has been received that General Buller is making satisfactory progress."

STERKSTROOM, Wednesday, January 17.—General Gatacre has warned the Boer commandant that if the women are not removed they must take their chance of being shot in the event of an attack. He has protested against allowing the wives and daughters of the Boer soldiers to reside in or near the camp. All is quiet here.

ESCAPED FROM JAIL.

Negro Man Under Sentence of Death at Greenville, N. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., January 17.—Lorenzo Brown, colored, under sentence of death, with the execution set for the 26th instant, escaped from jail at Greenville, N. C., last night. He was assisted by other prisoners and by a colored man employed by the Sheriff as waiting boy about the court house and jail. The other prisoners secreted Brown and fixed a dummy in the cell so that in counting up the jailor thought all were present. After night the waiting boy stood guard outside, and is believed to have helped cut a hole through the wall. Brown was convicted of rape at the April court last year and sentenced to hang.

Editor's Awful Plight.

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GEN. JOE WHEELER.

Returning from the Philippines on Account of Ill Health.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 17.—It is understood here that Gen. Wheeler's return from the Philippines is on account of ill health. While it is not admitted that he has resigned his commission, it is stated that if he has, the President will suspend action until he can confer with a view of dissuading him from such course. He is nearly sixty-four years of age, the statutory limit of active service in the army, and but for that fact would have been appointed a Brigadier General in the regular army. The President is in favor of legislation which will authorize the appointment of General Wheeler, General Lee and perhaps one or two other Brigadier Generals on the retired list in acknowledgement of their faithful services to the country during and since the Spanish war. It is said that is one of the reasons why General Wheeler is summoned home at this time.

BRYAN AT CINCINNATI.

Discussed the Money Question and Philippines Before a Large Audience.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CINCINNATI, January 17.—Colonel W. J. Bryan addressed an audience of 5,000 at Music Hall to-night under the auspices of the Cincinnati Bimetallic Council. He said that the time had come when no farmer or laborer could afford to be a Republican. He said that party had entirely changed front. As to dropping the money question, he said that there was no man in this nation big enough to let that question fall in such a way as to break it. He argued that monopolies could be stopped by Congress. He discussed the defence of the Philippine policy and was very severe on the theory that the possession of the Philippines would pay. He said:

"I would not put the life of one American soldier on the auction block for all the gold and all the wealth of all the Philippines."

WARM WIRELETS.

A dispatch from Turin says a dynamite explosion near there yesterday killed thirteen and wounded forty other persons.

J. C. S. Blackburn was formally declared elected United States Senator at the joint legislative session of the Kentucky Assembly.

The Virginia House of Delegates passed the "Jim Crow" car bill, or bill requiring separate cars for whites and blacks on the railways, without a dissenting vote.

Governor Taylor and Lieutenant Governor Marshall, of Kentucky, last night filed their counter notice of contest against Goebel and Beckham, alleging Democratic frauds all over the State.

Ground was broken yesterday in Rutherford county, N. C., for a cotton mill to operate 40,000 or 50,000 spindles. The mill is being erected by R. R. Haner, Dr. T. B. Lovelace and Col. Frank Coxe.

Vice President St. John, of the Seaboard Air Line, announces that the railroad shops burned in Raleigh, N. C., several years ago, will be rebuilt at an early date and a large number of men employed in them.

A cablegram received by the owners of the Bundesrath, at Hamburg, says all of the cargo of that steamer has been discharged and entirely agrees with the manifest. The prize court has not yet rendered a decision.

The Golden Belt Manufacturing Co., of Durham, N. C., has brought suit for damages against the Millhiser Manufacturing Co., of Richmond, Va., for infringement upon the rights of patents for making bags. The amount involved is between $100,000 and $300,000.

LIST OF LETTERS.

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WOMEN'S LIST.

Francis Burke, S F Biggs, Sofronnia Baccus, W H Bryant, Harriet Conway, Lucy Dale, Louise Elliott, Betsey Flowers, Amanda Gay, Hester Howard, Susan Henry, Mary Morgan, Betty McKinsey, Melissa Werts, Lillie Wallace, Jane Williams.

MEN'S LIST.

Eli Brown, Tommie J Boykin, Wm Dray, Rena Emanuel, M L Fashena, A Fantopuler (3), Thos Galloway, D D Johnson, Frank Herring, Henry Hampiner, Monroe Hill, Richard Howard, M Kemp, J A McClammy, T A Price, M Pinkney, L C Phillips, John Perren, P Richardson, William Roberts, William Robeson, Gnus Seyger, Olive Williams, Geo J Wall.

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